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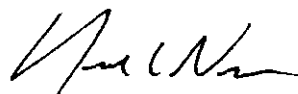
**Re: CC Docket No. 96-45
FCC Rules §54.314 - USF Affidavit**

Dear Ms Dortch

On behalf of Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc , a rural incumbent local exchange carrier not subject to State jurisdiction, there is submitted herewith the carrier's annual affidavit filed pursuant to 47 U S C §54 314(b), in support of its eligibility to receive federal support during the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of next year

Should any questions arise concerning this matter, please communicate directly with the undersigned

Very truly yours,



David L Nace

c Universal Service Administrative Company (w/enclosure)
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CC Docket No. 96-45
Section 254(e), 47 C.F.R. § 54.314
Certification of
Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 366, Rupert, Idaho 83350
AFFIDAVIT

I, Karl Searle, Sr. Vice President of Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc (the "Cooperative") do hereby certify under penalties of perjury that

- 1 I am the Sr Vice President of the Cooperative,
- 2 The Cooperative is not subject to the jurisdiction of the state of Idaho where local exchange service is provided by the Cooperative,
- 3 The Cooperative is a "rural telephone company" as defined in 47 U S C §153(37), Study area number is 472231,
- 4 The Cooperative is eligible for disbursements from the federal Universal Service Fund ("USF") as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), and
- 5 The Cooperative will utilize all federal high-cost USF support received in 2003 only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended

Signature Karl Searle

Date Sept. 9, 2003

Print Name Karl Searle

Title Sr Vice President

State of Idaho

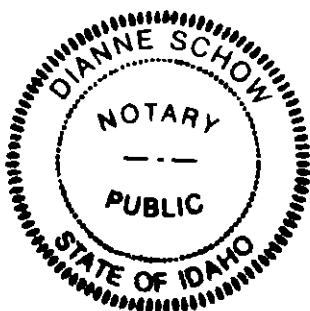
County of Minidoka

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary in and for the State of Idaho, on this day personally appeared Karl Searle, known to me to be the Declarant, who, being duly sworn, executed the foregoing instrument

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of September, 2003

My Commission expires 6-18-2009.

(Seal)



Dianne Schow
Notary Public